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### ROYAL LEPAGE MEADOWTOWNE DONATES PROCEEDS FROM NATIONAL GARAGE SALE TO LOCAL SHELTER

- NATIONAL GARAGE SALE FOR SHELTER RAISES MORE THAN \$300,000 TO HELP ABUSED WOMEN AND CHILDREN ACROSS CANADA -

**Georgetown, May 18, 2010** – Royal LePage Meadowtowne raised \$7,000.00 this past Saturday, May 15th at the 2nd annual National Garage Sale for Shelter to support Interim Place, Halton Women's Place and regional violence prevention programs. This Royal LePage Shelter Foundation event is dedicated to ending violence against women and children in communities across Canada.

We are all doing our part to end domestic violence against women in Halton and Peel Regions and providing financial support as well as other essential goods and services to our local shelters. Through the National Garage Sale for Shelter, we are making a difference in our community.

This year over 120 Royal LePage offices across Canada took part in the national event and together raised a record breaking \$300,000 to end violence against women and children in communities across Canada. In 2009 the National Garage Sale for Shelter raised \$120,000.

"Helping You Is What We Do is not just a collection of words that sits beneath our logo. Royal LePage agents, brokers and staff care deeply about giving back to the community," said Phil Soper, President and Chief Executive of Royal LePage. Since 1999, the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation has donated over \$10 million and has become Canada's largest public foundation dedicated exclusively to funding women's shelters and violence prevention programs.

Royal LePage is the only Canadian real estate company with its own charity, empowering agents and reps to make a positive difference on both the local and national level.

#### About the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation

The Royal LePage Shelter Foundation is Canada's largest public foundation dedicated exclusively to supporting shelters and ending violence against women and children. Through agent commission contributions and the fundraising activities of the Royal LePage network, we have raised over \$10 million to help to provide a safe haven and new beginnings to more than 30,000 women and children each year. To break to cycle of violence, the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation also supports long-term violence prevention and education programs. All funds raised by Royal LePage offices remain in their local community and because Royal LePage pays the costs of administration, 100 per cent of all money and effort goes toward this important cause. [www.royallepage.ca/shelter](http://www.royallepage.ca/shelter)

#### About Royal LePage

Royal LePage is Canada's leading provider of franchise services to residential real estate brokerages, with a network of nearly 14,000 real estate professionals in over 600 locations across Canada. Royal LePage Meadowtowne has over 230 salespeople and staff with offices located in Mississauga, Milton and Georgetown. Visit our website at [www.meadowtowne.com](http://www.meadowtowne.com)

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